

## A G E N D A



## Recommendation for Council Action (Purchasing)

Austin City Council	Item ID:	7527	Agenda Number	50.
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Meeting Date:	July 28, 2011
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Department:	Purchasing
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## Subject

Authorize award and execution of a contract through the Houston-Galveston Area Council of Governments Cooperative Purchasing Program (HGAC) with FISHER SCIENTIFIC, Pittsburgh, PA, for the purchase of one self-contained decontamination trailer for the Austin Police Department in an amount not to exceed \$78,300.

## Amount and Source of Funding

Funding in the amount of \$67,540 is available from the State of Texas, Governor's Office, and Criminal Justice Division Grant Edward Byrne Justice Assistance Formula (JAG) Program. Funding in the amount of \$10,760 is available in the Federal Department of Justice Asset Forfeiture Special Revenue Fund of the Austin Police Department.

## Fiscal Note

There is no unanticipated fiscal impact. A fiscal note is not required.

Purchasing Language:	Cooperative Purchase.
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Prior Council Action:	April 8, 2010 City Council approved resolution 20100408-012 authorizing the application of grant funds. October 28, 2010 City Council approved resolution 20101028-030 authorizing the acceptance of grant funds and amending the Fiscal Year 2010-2011 the Austin Police Department Operating Budget to appropriate grant funds.
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MBE / WBE:	This Cooperative Purchase is exempt from the MBE /WBE Ordinance. This exemption is in compliance with Chapter 2-9D of the City Code (Minority-Owned and Women-Owned Business Enterprise Procurement Program). No subcontracting opportunities were identified; therefore, no goals were established for this contract.
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## Additional Backup Information

This contract is for the purchase of one self-contained decontamination trailer to be assigned to the Austin Police Department's Clandestine Lab Response Team (CLRT).

The trailer will be used by the CLRT when responding to calls for clandestine laboratory waste clean up. The trailer will be equipped with a briefing area, a staging/pre-dress area, two decontamination showers, and a wash-wand for cleaning tools and equipment.

Austin Energy's Climate Protection team and Fleet have worked together to develop a vehicle purchasing process in our progress towards our citywide objective of obtaining carbon neutrality by 2020. The development of the purchasing criteria incorporates emissions impact, available technologies on the market, physical demands on the vehicle, and service application. These criteria are applied to all vehicles and equipment submitted to Fleet for purchase.

The equipment in this RCA has been recommended for purchase utilizing a process that involves the Fleet Officer, affected Department Directors, and Assistant City Managers (ACMs). ACM approval is required for all new additions to the City's fleet prior to any requests being made to the Purchasing Office.

The Purchasing Office conducted an analysis to determine that the Fisher Scientific HGAC contract was the best value to the City. This contract offered the lowest price and is able to provide equipment that fully meets the needs of the using department. Fisher Scientific is contracted through HGAC to supply these types of equipment to other public entities statewide as a result of a competitive bidding process. Utilizing HGAC contracts provides for volume discount pricing as well as the earliest opportunity to place the City's equipment on order.